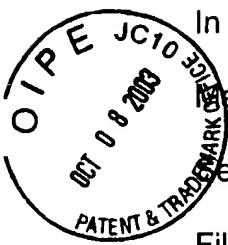


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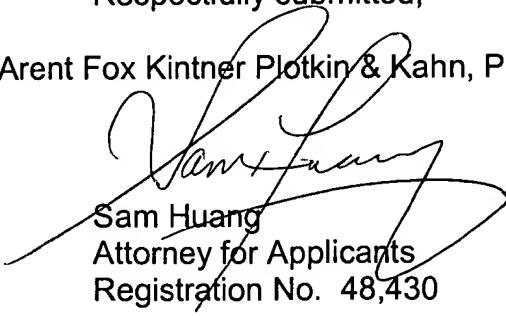
Sir:

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A check in the amount of One Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$110.00) to cover the cost of the extension fee is enclosed. In the event any fees are required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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